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REPORT NO. COUNTRY East GermanyTOPIC KVPD in Kochstedt

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1. On 2 April 1953, the 1st Regt of the KVPD in Kochstedt consisted of 133 men and was equipped with 8 mortars, 16 heavy machine guns, 32 light machine guns, 60 submachine guns, and 140 rifles. The S-1 unit consisted of 46 men organized into three platoons with an authorized strength of allegedly three officers and 12 EM to each platoon. The S-2 unit (radio unit) had a strength of 62 men and consisted of three platoons with allegedly three officers and 23 men to each platoon. The S-3 unit (engineers) was in the strength of 40 men organized into four platoons with three officers and 10 men to each platoon. An engineer course in the strength of 46 men was attached to the S-3 unit. The S-7 unit (tank unit) consisted of 36 men organized into three platoons with three officers and 12 men to each platoon. A tank course in the strength of 42 men was attached to the S-7 unit. The antitank unit was in the strength of 42 men organized into six platoons with three officers and six men to each platoon. The mortar detachment consisted of three officers and 15 men organized into five platoons of three men each. Other strength data available to source included: Motor transport unit, 137 men with an attached maintenance detail of six men; infantry companies, an average of 45 men organized into three platoons with one officer and 15 men to each platoon; heavy machine gun detachments, 16 men organized into two platoons of three officers and eight men each.¹

2. Officers assigned to the KVPD included:

Colonel Floeck, commanding officer of the KVPD;²

Captain Max, assignment unknown;

Lieutenant Colonel Wildner, commanding officer of a unit;²

Major Frauendorf, chief of staff;

Major Wicke, mess officer.

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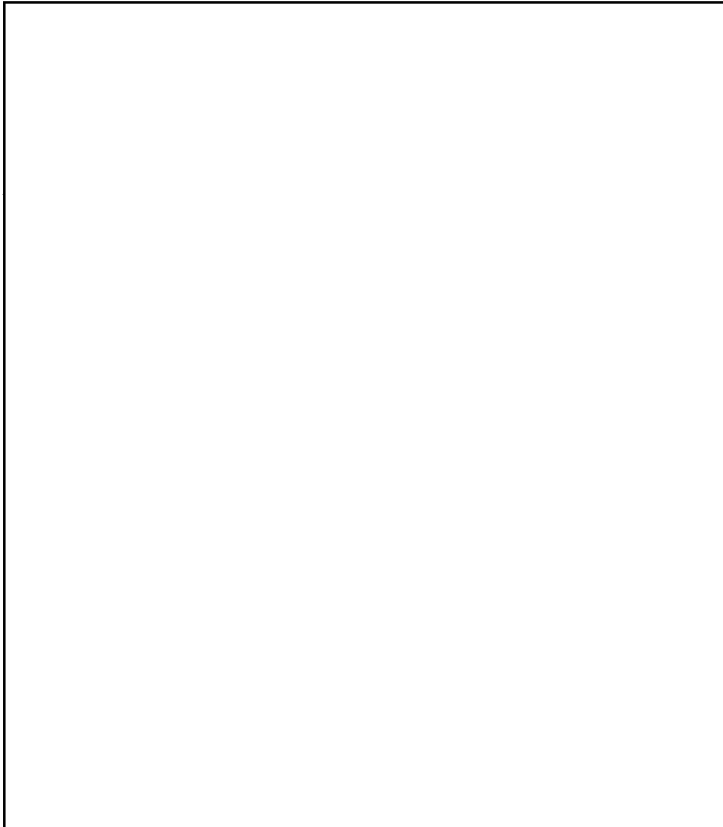
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4. The training program of the S-3 unit (engineers) included the construction of roads, bridges including footbridges, field fortifications, demolition service on engineer tactics and chemical warfare agents. Instruction on bridge building and special engineer techniques was given at the engineer training grounds at Grosskuehnau.

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1. Comment. These data support the assumption that the unit in Kochstedt which moved to Rostock in mid-April, is a cadre unit.

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2. Comment. The Colonel Floeck mentioned is believed to be Colonel Martin Bleck, chief of the Territoriale Verwaltung (Armeegruppe), which in the meantime moved to some other place. Lieutenant Colonel Wildner is the commanding officer of the cadre unit.

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